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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:) **CONFIRMATION NO.: 5203**

) **Rakha Hari DAS**

U.S. Serial No.: 10/725,994) Group Art Unit: 1645

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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING PATHOGENIC MYCOBACTERIA IN CLINICAL
SPECIMENS

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 31, 2008 is due by February 29, 2008.

The Notice requires correction of the Amendment of February 22, 2007, whereas claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 were improperly amended. Accordingly, in order that the Amendment be fully compliant with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.121(c), attached hereto is a corrected version of the Amendment submitted February 22, 2007.